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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

March 12, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Presidential Letter to Representative Zablocki

Attached is a copy of a recent letter which the President sent to Chairman Clement Zablocki of the House International Relations Committee. I know that you are aware of the contents of this letter, but I wanted to make sure that you have a copy on hand so that you can act on it as appropriate.

Samuel M. Hoskinson

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cc: George Cary, OLC w/att

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NSC review completed.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

March 11, 1977

To Chairman Clement Zablocki

This is in response to your letter of February 25, 1977.

It is my understanding that pursuant to Section 662 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, my predecessor delegated responsibilities for reporting to the appropriate committees of Congress to the Director of Central Intelligence. I intend to follow the same procedure.

I have, therefore, asked Admiral Turner to meet with you and some other members of the Committee concerning the questions you posed as well as the broader issues raised in recent stories in the press about CIA activities. As you know, I am particularly troubled by the proliferation of information about sensitive intelligence matters and feel that steps must be taken within both the Executive and Legislative branches to limit the exposure of such information consistent, of course, with appropriate oversight.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Chairman Clement J. Zablocki

Committee on International Relations

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

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